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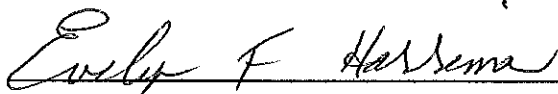
was inserted in THE STATE, a daily newspaper of general circulation for the State  
of South Carolina published in the City of Columbia, State and County aforesaid,  
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**NOTICE OF  
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DOCKET NO.  
2008-447-E

Petition to Establish  
Docket to Fulfill the State  
Requirements of the  
Energy Independence &  
Security Act of 2007

The South Carolina  
Office of Regulatory Staff  
(ORS) has filed a Petition  
to Establish a Docket to  
Consider Implementing  
the Requirements of  
Section 1307 (State Con-  
sideration of Smart Grid)  
of the Energy Indepen-  
dence and Security Act  
of 2007 (EISA) with the  
Public Service Commis-  
sion of South Carolina  
(the Commission). Sec-  
tion 1301 of EISA pro-  
vides that "It is the policy  
of the United States to  
support the moderniza-

tion of the Nation's elec-  
tricity transmission and  
distribution system to  
maintain a reliable and  
secure electricity infra-  
structure that can meet  
future demand  
growth, which together  
characterize a Smart  
Grid." According to the  
ORS's Petition, a "smart  
grid" is a distribution sys-  
tem that allows for flow of  
information from a cus-  
tomer's meter in two  
directions - into the  
house to thermostats,  
appliances, and other  
devices, and from the  
house to the utility. Fur-  
ther, the smart grid  
includes a variety of  
operational and energy  
measures, including  
smart meters, smart  
appliances, renewable  
energy resources, and  
energy efficiency  
resources. Section 1301  
of EISA also supports  
increased use of digital  
information and controls  
technology to improve  
reliability, security, and  
efficiency of the electric  
grid.

Section 1307(a)(16) of  
EISA provides guidance  
to states regarding their  
considerations of smart  
grid investments.  
According to Section  
1307(a)(16)(A) of EISA,  
each state shall consider  
requiring that, prior to  
undertaking investments  
in nonadvanced grid  
technologies, an electric  
utility of the State  
demonstrate to the State  
that the electric utility  
considered an invest-  
ment in a qualified smart  
grid system based on  
appropriate factors,  
including: total costs;  
cost-effectiveness;  
improved reliability;  
security; system per-  
formance; and societal ben-  
efit.

Section  
1307(a)(16)(B) requires  
each State to consider  
authorizing each electric  
utility of the State to  
recover from ratepayers  
any capital, operating  
expenditure, or other  
costs of the electric utility  
relating to the deploy-  
ment of a qualified smart  
grid system, including a  
reasonable rate of return  
on the capital expendi-  
tures of the electric utility  
for the deployment of the  
qualified smart grid sys-  
tem.

A copy of the ORS's Peti-  
tion can be obtained from  
the Commission at the  
following address: Pub-  
lic Service Commission  
of South Carolina, Dock-  
eting Department, 101  
Executive Center Drive,  
Columbia, South Caroli-  
na 29210. Additionally,  
the Petition is available  
on the Commission's  
website at

www.psc.sc.gov and is  
available from Nanette S.  
Edwards, Esquire and  
Shannon Bowyer Hud-  
son, Esquire, South Car-  
olina Office of Regulatory  
Staff, 1401 Main Street,  
Suite 900, Columbia,  
South Carolina 29201.

Any person who wishes  
to participate in this mat-  
ter, as a party of record  
with the right of cross-  
examination should file a  
Petition to Intervene in  
accordance with the  
Commission's Rules of  
Practice and Procedure  
on or before February  
27, 2009, and indicate  
the amount of time  
required for his presenta-  
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email address for receipt  
of future Commission  
correspondence in the  
Petition to Intervene.  
Please refer to Docket  
No. 2008-447-E.

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to testify and present evi-  
dence at the hearing,  
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the address below, the  
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mission during the hear-  
ing.

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